

I support media diversity

In regards to Docket No. 02-277, The Biennial Review of the FCC's broadcast media ownership rules, I am writing to express my desire for more debate on the critical issues involved here. The number, and thus scope, of perspectives represented in the media is shrinking, but the health of a democracy depends on the flow of various ideas, not just those of the powerful. Therefore, promoting competition, diversity and localism in today's media market is crucial to a real functioning democracy. I strongly believe that the FCC should retain all of the current media ownership rules now in question. These rules serve the public interest by limiting the market power of already huge companies in the broadcast industry; these rules consider the civic and social--not just the financial--interests of the nation.

Thank you,

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